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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AWARD OF CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, and 4 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Award a consultant services agreement to STV Incorporated for a not to exceed fee of \$341,400 for design services for the Truck Impacted Intersections - Group B roadway and traffic improvement project to be financed from the Fiscal Year 2001-02 Road Fund.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute such services agreement with the recommended consultant and to establish the effective date to prepare plans, specifications, and estimates for this project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On May 15, 2001, your Board approved a Cooperative Agreement between the County of Los Angeles and the Gateway Cities Council of Governments (COG), which provides for the County to serve as the overall project manager for this project. We are recommending that your Board award a consultant services agreement and authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute a contract with the recommended consultant to prepare

construction documents for the proposed roadway and traffic signal improvement project, located in the Cities of Bell, Compton, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Long Beach, Lynwood, Maywood, South Gate, and Vernon, and to establish the effective date of the contract. These Cities are participating cities in the COG. The project includes the intersections listed in Enclosure A.

The effective date of the contract will be determined after Caltrans has completed a review of the consultant's proposed fees and contract terms to meet State funding requirements. This review, called a Pre-Award Audit, must be completed and, as necessary, its recommendations incorporated into the contract prior to its execution.

Upon completion and approval of construction documents, tentatively scheduled for April 2003, we will return to your Board to adopt plans and specifications and to advertise for bids to construct the project.

As part of our efforts to proceed with roadway and traffic signal improvement work on road systems within the County, Public Works has successfully used consulting firms to perform the design work because all available staff is currently committed to other projects.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence as it will initiate the design of roadway and traffic signal improvements at various intersections listed in Enclosure A, which will extend the service life of these intersections and enhance traffic mobility, safety, and air quality.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Financing for the subject agreement is currently available in the Fiscal Year 2001-02 Road Fund Budget. As part of the approved May 15, 2001, Cooperative Agreement, the project design, construction, and administrative costs will be completely reimbursed by funds from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and the applicable cities in the Gateway Cities area. There will be no fiscal impact to the County.

The estimated total project cost, including the design contract, is approximately \$3 million.

The recommended agreement for the identified pavement rehabilitation project is for an aggregate not to exceed fee of \$341,400, including \$31,030 for unforeseen additional work that may arise during progress of the work. Additional work within this allowance will not be performed without prior written authorization from the Director of Public Works.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard consultant services agreement, previously approved as to form by County Counsel, will be used. The agreement includes a clause for termination of services upon prior written notice and a renegotiation clause as directed by your Board.

As requested by your Board on August 12, 1997, and as a threshold requirement for consideration of contract award, STV Incorporated is willing to consider Greater Avenues for Independence participants for future employment.

STV Incorporated has demonstrated satisfactory compliance with the County's Child Support Compliance Program.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

A finding of environmental impact is not required for consultant services agreements for design services.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On March 14, 2002, a Request for Proposals was issued to 37 firms from Public Works' list of qualified consultants. Five proposals were received. An Evaluation Committee, consisting of Public Works' civil engineering staff, evaluated the proposals. The evaluation of the firms was based on technical expertise, proposed work plan, experience, personnel qualifications, and understanding of the work requirements. These evaluations were completed without regard to race, creed, color, or gender. Based on the review and evaluation of these proposals, Public Works is recommending STV Incorporated as one of the best qualified firms to perform the required services for the identified project.

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Participation by Community Business Enterprises (CBE) in the project is encouraged through Public Works' CBE Outreach Program and the requirement that consultants demonstrate their good faith efforts to utilize CBEs. STV Incorporated is aware of Public Works' CBE Outreach Program, and their proposed CBE participation is on file with Public Works.

Public Works maintains a database of consultants for design services, which is the main source of soliciting proposals. As requested by your Board on February 3, 1998, and to further increase consultant awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, a Request for Qualifications for these services was listed on the County Office of Small Business website.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended consultant services.

CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to us.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Department of Public Social Services (GAIN Program)

ENCLOSURE A

TRUCK IMPACTED INTERSECTIONS - GROUP B

1. Atlantic Boulevard/Florence Avenue - City of Bell (SD 1)
2. Alondra Boulevard/Central Avenue - City of Compton (SD 2)
3. Alondra Boulevard/Wilmington Avenue - City of Compton (SD 2)
4. Patata Street/Atlantic Avenue - City of Cudahy (SD 1)
5. Slauson Avenue/State Street - City of Vernon (SD 1)
6. Santa Fe Avenue/Pacific Coast Highway - City of Long Beach (SD 4)
7. Imperial Highway/Martin Luther King Boulevard - City of Lynwood (SD 2)
8. Atlantic Boulevard/Slauson Avenue - City of Maywood (SD 1)
9. Firestone Boulevard/Garfield Avenue - City of South Gate (SD 1)
10. Atlantic Boulevard/Bandini Boulevard - City of Vernon (SD 1)